

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenship(s) are as stated below next to our names,

We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled SELF-DRILLING, SELF-TAPPING BONE SCREW the specification of which (check one)

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\_\_\_\_ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_

Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_

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(if applicable)

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Sec. 1.56(a).

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are

punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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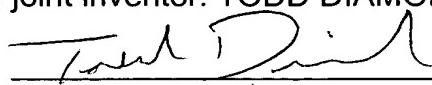
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